

EARLY CLOSING PLAN  
OFFICIALLY ABANDONEDFEW CLERKS CAN'T WAIT ON  
CONGESTED TRADE.Old Schedule Again Effective  
Until Nov. 1—New  
Plan Then.

A telegram was received Wednesday morning by W. E. Wilkerson, local fuel administrator, from W. E. Myer, state fuel administrator, announcing that the early opening and closing order would be abandoned in Chattanooga until Nov. 1. This includes all retail and wholesale stores that came under the ruling issued by the U. S. fuel administration, food administration, and State Council of National Defense. This order, as stated in the telegram, also applies to the cities of Nashville, Memphis, Knoxville and Jackson. In such places as are not mentioned in the new order the same ruling will apply to their dealers throughout the state.

In making this change Mr. Myer stated in the telegram that it had been made on account of the seriousness of the labor situation. The stores in the downtown districts of the larger cities have been so affected by the shortage of labor, until it has been almost impossible for the reduced number of employees to get the day's work accomplished and wait on the general public within the hours established by the U. S. fuel administration. It is not known what steps will be taken by those in charge of this matter after Nov. 1. However, it is hardly probable, with the Christmas holidays following so closely after this, that the short closing and opening hours will be made effective.

Stores that come under this ruling which was put into effect Oct. 10, included the retail grocers, fruit stands, cigar stores, shoe repair shops, pawn shops, traveling shops, bowling alleys, pool rooms, including pool rooms of hotels and clubs, shooting galleries, soft drink stands, ice cream parlors, barber shops, drug stores, restaurants, municipal markets, news stands.

W. E. Wilkerson, the local administrator, wants the dealers in general to understand through the press that they may operate their businesses under the same opening and closing plan as they did prior to the order of Oct. 10.

**WARMER, PROMISED FOR  
TONIGHT AND THURSDAY**

Precipitation Over Southern  
States and Along the  
Gulf Coast.

HOURLY READINGS.			
OCTOBER 16.			
3 a.m.	54	9 a.m.	51
4 a.m.	54	10 a.m.	54
5 a.m.	53	11 a.m.	61
6 a.m.	53	12 m.	61
7 a.m.	48	1 p.m.	69
8 a.m.	49	2 p.m.	71

Weather at 2 p.m., part cloudy;  
humidity, 1 p.m., 47.

Local Forecast.

Generally fair tonight and Thursday.

warmer tonight, continued warm Thursday.

River Forecast.

The river will remain nearly stationary

tonight and Thursday.

Local Data.

Temperature for twenty-four hours:

Highest yesterday, 70; lowest last night,

42; mean, 59.

Corresponding date last year: Highest,

80; lowest, mean, 64.

Normal for this date, 61.

Accumulated excess in mean temperature

since Jan. 1, 1918, 10.0; since Oct. 1,

1.0. Relative humidity (per cent.): 7 p.m.,

48; 7 m., 73.

Precipitation for twenty-four hours ended

7 a.m. today, 0.

Total precipitation since Jan. 1, 32.98

inches.

Accumulated deficiency is 7.18 inches.

Highest wind velocity for twenty-four

hours ended 7 a.m. today, 10 miles; south

wester ending at 7 m., 8 miles.

Ice in twenty-four hours, 0.2 feet.

Weather Conditions.

The eastern high pressure area has de-

veloped in northern Tennessee and

North Carolina. Secondary high pressure

area is located over northern Michigan,

central California.

The atmospheric pressure is moder-

ately low at Galveston, causing consid-

erable clouds over the southern states

and precipitation along the Gulf coast.

Heavy amount 1.74 inches fell at New Or-

leans. Precipitation also occurred over

the central and Pacific states

due to a disturbance centered at Spokane.

Heavy amount 1.64 inches fell at Port-

land, Ore.

Conditions are favorable for generally

fair over this section tonight and Thurs-

day. Warmer tonight, continued warm

Thursday.

Weather for Four States.

Washington, Oct. 16.—Forecast:

Tennessee—Fair, with light rain in the

north; warmer tonight northeast portion.

Kentucky—Fair tonight and Thursday,

not much change in temperature.

Georgia—Unsettled tonight and Thurs-

## BRITISH CAVALRY PURSUES FAST FLEEING HUNS



British cavalry has been brought into action on the western front to prod along the fleeing Huns and deprive them of rest while the infantry and light artillery are being brought up to make any new positions untenable. The photograph shows how the cavalry advances over trenches.

RUMOR THAT KAISER  
HAS ABDICATEDREPORTED THAT ARMY HAS  
CAPITULATED.

Huns Accept President Wil-

son's Terms if People Are

Safeguarded.

London, Oct. 16.—(U. N. S.)—Ger-

many has capitulated and the kaiser

has abdicated, according to a news

agency dispatch received here this

afternoon.

No comment was forthcoming this

afternoon from the British foreign of-

fice regarding reports that Germany

has capitulated, but there were no de-

tails of the rumor.

Germany has capitulated and the

kaiser has abdicated, says the Ham-

burg correspondent of the Amsterdam

newspaper Neudertsdamische Courant,

a news agency dispatch said this after-

noon.

Germany Accepts.

London, Oct. 16.—(U. N. S.)—It is

reported that Germany accepts all of

President Wilson's conditions provid-

ing that assurances are given that the

interests of the German people will be

safeguarded, an Exchange Telegraph

dispatch from Amsterdam stated this

afternoon.

Admits Withdrawal.

Berlin, via London, Oct. 16.—The

German forces in northern France have

withdrawn, the dispatch further states

in the district west and southwest of Lille,

army headquarters announced today.

A doctor of philosophy, 27 years old,

highly educated, dashing, impressive,

masculine appearance, desires acquaint-

ance, looking toward matrimony, with a

wealthy daughter or childless widow,

friendly to the allies.

Forehand young Germans are ap-

parently preparing for the time when

we will be the dominant and are seek-

ing to make friends with the mammoth

of unrighteousness, judging from a mat-

rimon advertisement in the Neue

Zurich Zeitung, quoted by Simplici-

simus. The following is a translation:

"A doctor of philosophy, 27 years old,

highly educated, dashing, impressive,

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Ola, marines and utilities made addi-

tional gains to new high records in the

last hour. The closing was strong.

Trading slackened perceptibly at noon,

leaders reacting 1 to 3 points, and war

shares declining further. However, the

Leaves were almost immediately re-

covered, however, oils and Studebaker

mountains to high levels. United States

Steel and other equipments also improved

CORN OPENED LOWER  
BUT SOON MADE RALLY

New York, Oct. 16.—Speculative issues

featured the firm to strong opening of

today's stock market. Wilson packing

almost 4 points and American Ice 5

Studebaker added 2 points to yesterday's

5-point advance and Marinet preferred,

Mexican Petroleum and Pan-American

Petroleum preferred rose 2 to 4 points.

Metals and prominent equipments, in-

cluding United States Steel, were higher

by large fractions to a point. Ralls were

dull, the movement extending more gen-

erally to specialties during the first

half hour.

The market closed heavy at the lowest

point of the day 5 1/2 to 7 1/2 net lower.

With November, 1 1/2 to 1 1/4, and

December 1 1/4 to 1 1/2.

RANGE OF PRICES ON THE CHICAGO

BOARD OF TRADE.

CORN—

Nov. .... 1.23 1/2 1.25 1/2 1.17 1/2 1.17 1/2

Dec. .... 1.21 1/2 1.23 1/2 1.14 1/2 1.14 1/2

Nov. .... 67 1/2 68 1/2 65 1/2 65 1/2

Dec. .... 67 1/2 68 1/2 65 1/2 65 1/2

Oats—

Nov. .... 36.07 36.07 36.07 36.07

Dec. .... 36.27 36.27 36.00 36.27

Lard—

Nov. .... 25.65 25.65 25.15 25.15

Dec. .... 25.65 25.65 25.15 25.15

Ribs—

Nov. .... 22.15 22.15 21.80 21.80

Dec. .... 22.15 22.15 21.80 21.80

CHICAGO CASH.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—Corn—No. 2 yellow,

1.48; No. 3 yellow, 1.37 1/2; No. 4 yellow,

1.27 1/2; No. 5 white, 67 1/2; No. 6 white,

64 1/2; No. 7 white, 62 1/2.

Oats—No. 2 white, 36.07; No. 3 white,

36.27; No. 4 white, 36.00; No. 5 white,

36.27; No. 6 white, 36.00; No. 7 white,

36.27.

Lard—No. 1, 25.65; No. 2, 25.65; No. 3,

25.65; No. 4, 25.65; No. 5, 25.65; No. 6,

25.65; No. 7, 25.65; No. 8, 25.65; No. 9,

25.65; No. 10, 25.65; No. 11, 25.65; No. 12,

25.65.

Ribs—No. 1, 22.15; No. 2, 22.15; No. 3,

22.15; No. 4, 22.15; No. 5, 22.15; No. 6,

22.15; No. 7, 22.15; No. 8, 22.15; No. 9,

22.15; No. 10, 22.15; No. 11, 22.15; No. 12,

22.15.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—Butter, lower;

creamery, 57 1/2; Eggs, firm; receipts,

9,852 cases; fresh gathered extras, 57 1/2;

58; fresh gathered extra flats, 54 1/2; 56;

Cheese, firm; receipts, 4,492 boxes; av-

erage run, 23 1/2; 24; 25; 26; 27; 28; 29; 30;

chickens, 35 1/2; 36; 37; 38; 39; 40; 41; 42;

Dressed, firm; broilers, 36 1/2; 37; 38; 39;

30; 31; 32; 33; 34; 35; 36; 37; 38; 39; 40;

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EARLY COTTON TRADING  
SHOWS FURTHER DECLINE

New York, Oct. 16.—There was a further

decline in the cotton market during to-

day's trading. This reflected a re-

newal of scattered southern selling,

and offerings from other sources were inspired

by the continued favorable average of

weather and crop news, while demand

was limited.

First prices were 15 to 48 points lower

in consequence with December selling off

to 30 1/2 and January to 25 1/2, or 44 to

49 points net lower. It was reported that

Wall Street interests had been heavy buy-

ers yesterday on the bullish view of peace

prospects, but there seemed little support

from that quarter during the early trad-

ing, and the market was influenced by

comparatively small selling orders.

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After selling up to 30 1/2 for December

and 20 1/2 for January, or about 30 points

from last night's closing figures the mar-

ket eased off slightly under realizing and

scattered offerings which came partly

from New Orleans. General business was

very quiet during the early afternoon,

with December ruling about 35c, com-

pared with 30 1/2 at the close yesterday.

NEW YORK COTTON FUTURES

OPENING.

New York, Oct. 16.—Cotton futures

opened steady; October, 31 1/2; Decem-

ber, 30 1/2; January, 25 1/2; March, 25 1/2;

May, 25 1/2; July, 25 1/2; September, 25 1/2;

November, 25 1/2; December, 25 1/2; Janu-

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OBITUARY  
SODDY PIONEER DIESM. Langley, One of First Settlers,  
Victim of Pneumonia.

Matthew Langley, aged 65, who died Tuesday morning at his home in Soddy, was a pioneer of that section. He was one of the first settlers there